

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Inventorship: ..... Miller et al.  
Applicant: ..... Microsoft Corporation  
Confirmation No: ..... 6158  
Group Art Unit: ..... 2457  
Examiner: ..... Ramy M Osman  
Attorney's Docket No.: ..... MS1-1527US  
Title: ..... Instant Messaging Object Store

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 27, 2008**

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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 27, 2008 and the telephone interview dated January 26, 2009, in connection with the above-identified application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Fees will be paid by credit card through the EFS Web; however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency of fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account Number 12-0769.